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TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF (PATENT APPLICATION—37C.F.R. 1.192)

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1. Transmitted herewith is the APPEAL BRIEF in this application, with respect to the Notice of Appeal filed on July 7, 2008

NOTE: "Appellant must, file a brief under this section within two months from the date of filing the notice of appeal under § 41.31.37 CFR 41.(a)(1). The breif is no longer required in triplicate. The former alternative time for filing a brief (within the time allowed for reply to the action from which the appeal was taken) has been removed. Appellant must file within two months from the notice of appeal. See Notice of August 12, 2004, 69 FR 49960, 49962.

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2.	STATUS OF APPLICANT					
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	A statement					
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3.	FEE FOR FILIN					
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4.	EXTENSION O	F TERM	• •			
NOTE:	37 C.F.R. § 1.740(b) "an applicant shall be deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection, objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant, in which case the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the date after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed. The period, or shortened statutory period, for reply that is set in the Office action or notice has not effect on the three-month period set forth in this paragraph."					
NOTE:	The time periods set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.192(a) are subject to the provision of § 1.136 for patent applications 37 C.F.R. § 1.191(d). See also Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).					
NOTE:	As the two-month period set in § 1.192(a) for filing an appeal brief is not subject to the six-month maximum period specified in 35 U.S.C. § 133, the period for filing an appeal brief may be extended up to seven months. 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131 at 53,156; 1203 O.G. 63 at 84 (Oct. 10, 1997).					
The pro	ceedings herein a	re for a patent a	pplication and the provisions	of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.		
		(сот	olete (a) or (b), as applicab	le)		
	(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(5)) for the total number of months check below:					
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(b)		Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.			
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